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Applicant: Masanao KOHASHI et al.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the abstract with the following:

A polyester fiber containing polyethylene terephthalate at 90 mol% or higher of a whole repeating unit in a molecular chain thereof, the fiber having an intrinsic viscosity (IV) of 0.85 dl/g or higher and simultaneously meeting the following characteristics: (a) strength \geq 6.0 cN/dtex; (b) strength \times (breaking elongation) $^{0.5}$ \leq 26.0 cN/dtex.% $^{0.5}$; (c) monofilament linear density \leq 5.0 dtex; and (d) main dispersion peak temperature of loss tangent (tan δ) in the measurement of dynamic viscoelasticity at 110 Hz \leq 147.0°C, and a polyester dipped cord, which is obtainable by twisting one or more than one base yarn together into a pretwisted yarn, where the base yarn is made of a polyester fiber twisting two or more pretwisted yarns together into a greige cord; and subjecting the greige cord to dip treatment to give a dipped cord simultaneously meeting the following characteristics: (a) tenacity